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1. ARMY CINC VADORA AND AIR FORCE CINC
SPLAIROT RAISED THE QUESTION OF URUGUAYAN PARTICIPATION
IN FUTURE CONFERENCE WITH AMBASSADOR AT LUNCHEON
SEPTEMBER 22. BOTH GENERALS INDICATED OPEN INITIAL
INCLINATION OF FOUR LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES WHOSE AMBASSADORS
WERE INVITED WAS TO REFUSE INVITATION. HOWEVER, AFTER SOME
DISCUSSION DURING WHICH AMB. GAVE THE GENERALS AN EXPLANATION
SIMILAR TO THAT GIVEN TO EMBASSY, AS REPORTED REFTEL,
BOTH CINCS SEEMED TO LOOK MORE FAVORABLY ON GOU PARTICI-
PATION. THEIR MAJOR POINT OF CONCERN WAS PARTICIPATION
OF "LEGITIMATE OPPOSITION ELEMENTS" IN PANEL. THEY ARE
STRONGLY OPPOSED TO HAVING GOU REPRESENTATIVE PARTICIPATE
IN PANEL WITH URUGUAYAN OPPOSITION FIGURES, BUT APPEAR
WILLING TO HAVE A GOU REPRESENTATIVE ATTEND THE CONFERENCE,
AND VOLUNTEERED MINISTER OF URUGUAYAN EMBASSY AS GOOD CHOICE.
2. COMMENT. IN THE URUGUAYAN CONTEXT, FACT THAT THESE TWO
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GENERALS CAN BRING THEMSELVES TO LOOK FAVORABLY ON GOU
PARTICIPATION IN AN EVENT OF THIS NATURE REPRESENTS A SIG-
NIFICANT EVOLUTION IN THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD URUGUAY'S NEED
TO PRESENT ITS CASE. IF DEPARTMENT HAS CONFIRMED THAT CON-
FERENCE IS SERIOUS FORTHCOMING EVENT WE REITERATE OUR RECOMMENDA-
TION THAT DEPARTMENT ENCOURAGE URUGUAYAN EMBASSY TO PARTICIPATE.
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